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## THE LAST TIME.

Before another issue of THE STAR (after this one) can possibly reach all of our readers next Tuesday's local option election will have been numbered with the events of the past, and its result will have become a part of the history of Alachua county. And now, this being the last time that we can possibly speak through these columns to all of our readers before the event transpires and the history is made, we desire to be heard once more on the subject of the licensed saloon in our midst.

Fellow voters of Alachua county: We are to decide—we must decide—next Tuesday, June 2, 1908, whether our county shall remain wet, or become dry; whether the ten saloons that now curse our people are to remain open, or be closed; whether we are to show ourselves strong men, or weaklings; whether we favor temperance and industry, or drunkenness and indolence.

The question to be settled by the qualified voters of the county next Tuesday is not a political one; it is not a democratic or republican measure. It is not a race question; it is not a question on one side of which the white man is arrayed, and on the other side the negro, but it is a question in which every lover of good order, peace and prosperity, is, or should be, interested.

Alachua county has, at this time, a population of about 35,000 people, and of these 35,000 not more than 100—if we include every member of every saloon keeper's family—is benefited financially, even temporarily, by our saloons. And surely not one of these 100 is benefited in any other way except financially, for the saloon curses everything it touches, and even the financial benefits to those who sell liquor are as unending as the butterfly. One hundred is almost an infinitesimal portion of our population, and shall we say by the way we vote next Tuesday that rather than to deprive these 100 men, women and children of a temporary financial benefit we will permit the saloons to remain, though we know they are working injuries to 35,000 people, and to many of them injuries that the endless ages of eternity can never cure?

You may not drink liquor; you may never have bought a drink in your life, but if you are a taxpayer you help to pay the enormous costs that the liquor business saddles upon the taxpayers. If any taxpayer will take the trouble to investigate for himself he will find that at least three-fourths of the immense costs of criminal prosecutions in Alachua county is made necessary by our saloons. Many of our best people complain about high taxes—they have a right to complain, for our taxes are too high—but their complaining will do no good while we spend thousands of dollars every year to prosecute saloon-made criminals alone.

Judge W. A. Hocker, for a number of years judge of our judicial circuit, but now of the Supreme Court of Florida, says that more than three-fourths of the criminal business that came before him during his long term as circuit judge, was caused by the saloons. Mayor W. R. Thomas, this city, says that nine-tenths of the business of his court is caused by drink. County Judge H. G. Mason says a large majority of the criminal cases that come before him are the results of drunkenness. Justice of the Peace G. M. Colman, also of this city, says nearly all cases of murder, attempt to murder and aggravated assault with which he has to do are furnished by the saloons. These are samples; others have the same kind of experiences, and you, fellow taxpayer, who think your taxes are very high, have to help keep up these courts. And these costs will continue while our saloons remain.

Saloons are a benefit to no town; they are a curse to any town. Lake-land is a dry town, and it's prosperous. Live Oak is a dry town,

and a prosperous one. Alachua—in our own county—is a dry town, and the most prosperous one in the county.

Fellow voter, how many murders can you recall that have been committed in Alachua county during the last five years? Does your blood not seem inclined to curdle when you begin to count them up? Oh, Spirit of Peace, what a record! And now, who will say that Alachua county's licensed saloons are not directly responsible for at least nine-tenths of our murders? Voters of Alachua, let's go to the polls next Tuesday and vote out the saloons. If we will do this our terms of court will be shorter and our taxes lighter; murder and other crimes will be of less frequent occurrence, and more good people will seek homes amongst us; some of our old drinkers will quit drinking and fewer of our young men will begin it, and many homes that are now hells on earth will become what the Almighty intended that they should be.

## THE ONLY WAY.

"The only way to keep whiskey from being sold," say some of our anti-prohibition friends, "is to quit making it." We agree with them; and we declare that the only way to keep men from being killed, is to quit making them; but we do say; we do know, and our anti-prohibition friends do know; that but for the laws against murder there would be more of it done, and we all know equally well that laws against liquor selling causes a smaller amount of liquor to be sold.

If we must stop fighting legalized saloons because some men will sell liquor in violation of all laws, why not have no law against murder because that law is being violated every day? Why not say since no law will be respected and obeyed by every body, we will have no law?

When a man tells you that there is more whiskey sold in a dry town than in a wet one, ask him why the brewers and distillers fight so desperately against a law that increases the sale of their products.

An intelligent man who is informed on the subject will not say (if he values his reputation for truthfulness) that more whiskey is sold in a dry town than in a wet one. If this was true every wholesale liquor dealer in the land would want to see the entire country dry.

THE GAINESVILLE STAR is a new paper recently started in Gainesville, published twice a week, for only \$1.00 per annum; cheap at that and worth twice as much. It is a good sized four page paper, seven columns to the page. Mr. D. E. Godwin, a well known newspaper man, is editor and proprietor. THE STAR is one of the few papers in Florida advocating the prohibition of the liquor traffic, and ought to attain much success in the field of journalism, although it is not wholly devoted to temperance, but to general subjects as well. One of the most attractive features of the paper is its cartoons, which hit at the follies, vices and evils of the day.—Life and Health.

The users of alcoholic stimulants are estimated to form one-fourth of the total population of this country, and on this basis the per capita cost of alcoholic beverages is \$69.32 per year. The drinking man who earns \$2 a day spends in the liquor saloons or beer gardens his earnings for nearly 6 full weeks. If he saved his drink bill he would have \$5 a month more to add to the comforts of his family. The man who drinks \$69 worth of liquor every year is very likely to incapacitate himself for labor and reduce his annual income because of lost time, if the alcoholic drink does not cause disease resulting in death.—Life and Health.

If any preacher, deacon, steward or other church official; or any Sunday school superintendent, teacher, or any other man or woman who professes to be a follower of the victim of the tragedy on Calvary, thinks it is not his or her duty to speak out openly against the legalized saloon, let him or her turn to and read Isaiah 58:1, and then the Lord's prayer. "He that knoweth to do good and doth it not, to him it is sin."

Talking against the saloon and voting for their continuance is about like eating the sugar coating from a pill and spitting out the bitter part, which the little boy called the seed. It is a Temperance vote, and the "seed" of a pill, that does good.

One of the greatest prohibition arguments of the day is the record of Kansas, without a single pauper and 47 counties without a criminal trial in a whole year. Contrast this with Ohio's 3,000 idiots, 11,000 criminals, 150,000 outdoor paupers, and 3,000 deaths annually through drunkenness.—The Searchlight.

Alachua county is having a vigorous whiskey campaign to contend with. We know how it is, and we hope the right will win the day.—Bartow Courier-Informant.

## HAIR GROWER.

This is Very Wonderful if True—Try a Bottle and be Convinced.

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Yours truly,

J. W. HAYNES, 59 Hicks St.

State of Florida,  
County of Alachua,  
City of Gainesville.

Personally appeared before the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the State of Florida, at large, S. B. Giddings, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the above testimonial was sent to him by mail by J. W. Haynes, a man whom he had never seen or heard of, also that he had no knowledge of the man ever having used or procured the Unparalleled Hair Grower, and as far as he knows no one had influenced him to send it, and that the man has never received anything for sending it.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of November A. D. 1902.  
S. B. GIDDINGS, M. D.

J. M. RIVERS,  
Notary Public for the State of Florida at large.

## MASTER'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of final decree enforcing mechanics' lien, made and rendered on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1900, by Hon. W. A. Hocker, then Circuit Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, which Circuit embraced Alachua county, in a certain cause therein pending in Chancery of said Court, wherein L. C. Gracy and A. W. McDonald comprising the firm of Gracy & McDonald, were complainants and C. B. Easterlin, deceased, was defendant:

I, J. A. Ammons, as special master in chancery, duly appointed as such by said court, will sell at public auction before the court house door, in the city of Gainesville, Alachua county, Florida, on Monday, the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, between the legal hours of sale, all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Alachua, in the State of Florida, and more particularly described as the west half (½) of the east half (½) of Block number four (4), in Range one (1), in the town of High Springs, the same being in Section three (3), Township eight (8) South, Range seventeen (17) East.

Also, the southeast one hundred (100) feet by one hundred (100) feet of Block number sixty (60) of D. E. Whetston's plat and addition to the town of High Springs, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining.

Said property to be sold as the estate and property of said C. B. Easterlin, deceased, to satisfy and pay said decree, fees and costs.

J. A. AMMONS,  
W. H. PALMER, Special Master.  
R. E. DAVIS,  
Solicitors for Complainant.

## MASTER'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of a final decree of foreclosure made and rendered on the 27th day of July, A. D. 1898, by Hon. W. A. Hocker, then Circuit Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, which Circuit embraced and comprised Alachua and other counties, in a certain cause therein pending on the Chancery side of said court, wherein L. C. Gracy and A. W. McDonald were complainants and Massie E. White was defendant, I, Robert E. Davis, as special master in chancery, duly appointed by the said court, will sell at public auction before the court house door, in the city of Gainesville, Florida, on Monday, the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, between the legal hours of sale, all of that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situated, lying and being in the County of Alachua, in the State of Florida, known and described as all of Block six (6), Range Block five (5), in the Town of High Springs, Florida, as described in Mr. S. C. Moore's plat of the town of Santafee, now called High Springs, all in Section three, Township eight south, of Range seventeen east, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging, or in anywise appertaining:

Said property to be sold as the property of Massie E. White to satisfy and pay said decree, fees and costs, as modified by a recent review and mandate of the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

ROBERT E. DAVIS,  
Special Master.  
W. H. PALMER,  
Solicitor for Complainant.

## MASTER'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of a final decree of foreclosure, made and rendered on the 17th day of February, A. D. 1898, by Hon. W. A. Hocker, then Circuit Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, of which Alachua county formed a part thereof, in a certain cause therein pending in Chancery of said Court, wherein A. O. Steenberg was complainant, and Benjamin Drayton and Nancy Drayton were defendants:

I, J. M. Rivers, as special master in chancery, duly appointed as such by the said court, will sell at public auction before the court house door, in the city of Gainesville, Alachua county, Florida, on Monday, the 6th day of July, A. D. 1903, between the legal hours of sale, all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situated, lying and being in the County of Alachua, in the State of Florida, described as the north half (½) of the west half (½) of lot number eight (8) of and within the Napier Grant, comprising ten (10) acres of land more or less, together with all the singular, the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining:

Said property to be sold as the property of Benjamin Drayton, to satisfy and pay said decree, fees and costs.  
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